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**NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.**

The first business of Friday was the reception and discussion of the report on Education, presented by Dr. F. Higgins. It gave a condensed statement of the work of last year and the outlook for the future. The MESSENGER AND VISITOR has already given these facts. There was special reference to the needs of the Seminary. Dr. Higgins emphasized this last section of the report. He considered the Seminary the critical point of our educational system. The building is unable to contain the young ladies wishing to attend. The establishment of a Ladies' College in Halifax had not cut off our supply, but had rather increased it. When Presbyterian young ladies in a community go to Halifax, it stimulates Baptist young ladies to seek higher education, and they would come to Wolfville, if accommodations and advantages were afforded. The Seminary must have more room.

Bro. Cohoon was afraid that the churches did not realize that Acadia College was a part of the Lord's work in our charge. Many churches give to Home and Foreign Missions, and contribute nothing to the educational funds. While the due proportion of the Convention Fund would give the College \$4,000 a year, she only received \$2,600. He pictured that would be the condition of things were Acadia College to go down. The supply for the ministry would be largely cut off, and a moral power be lost throughout the body. He also made a plea for the student aid fund, and spoke of the propriety of the new move to reintroduce theology into the course in Acadia.

Prof. Kierstead spoke of the defects of the instruction in the common school system in reference to the proper use of English. He also thought that greater provision should be made in the academe line to aid those who do not contemplate a college course. He referred to the many circumstances connected with the gift of Mark Curry, Esq., which made it more valuable. The offer of the Alumni to support a professor in the College was full of suggestion and hope. There was no other College in the Dominion which had Alumni who were prepared to make so splendid a contribution. Attendance at the exercises at Kings College yesterday had impressed him with the truth that behind all the outward phenomena of college work, there must be a moral power in order to give an institution success. There must be the disposition to sacrifice for a college before it will have the greatest vital force. In this line Acadia, he believed, held a pre-eminent place. He paid a high tribute to the work of Principal Oakes and to the importance of his work.

Principal Oakes gave his earnest support to the remarks of Dr. Higgins in reference to the Ladies' Seminary. There was no good reason why we should not have 150 in attendance at the Seminary. Young ladies are showing that they can take a front rank in college study. He referred to the significance of the fact that from some of our thriving towns a goodly number of young ladies were seeking higher education, while not single young man had gone abroad to an educational institution. He believed that the best male students had always come from the country, and that we must seek out the quiet country places, and start them on their way to develop mental power. In this way we shall be doing a good work for the country; for these must become centres of power. He pleaded for sympathy and for the prayers of the people.

After a few words by C. Goodspeed, Bro. S. B. Kempton referred to the special interest the Central Association should have in the institutions because located in its territory. The brethren should be especially careful to avoid the disposition to criticize, which a nearer view naturally entails.

Bro. S. B. Kempton presented the report on Denominational Literature. (It was our intention to request this report for publication; but, at the last moment, forgot to obtain it from the Secretary. It was one of the most able we have heard on the subject.—En.)

Bro. M. P. Freeman referred to the power of the press. We are glad to get good religious literature from any source, whether Baptist or Pedobaptist. At the same time, we have peculiar views and we must have a corresponding literature of our own. We must, therefore, have a Book Room which will include this literature in its supplies. This positive teaching of the truth should be given to our young people, to give them the strong conviction which shall enable them to stand true under adverse circumstances. The American Baptist Publication Society, through furnishing

this literature, has done much in helping on the great progress of the Baptists of the United States. He made a special reference to the work of our Book Room, deprecating the idea that our people should buy books merely because they are cheap, and commended the MESSENGER AND VISITOR very warmly.

Bro. D. Freeman also referred to the MESSENGER AND VISITOR in terms of commendation, and suggested that papers, when read, should be handed to poor families.

Bro. E. F. Eaton gave some serious criticisms. The editor of the paper was then given liberty to speak a few words.

Friday afternoon the discussion of the report was continued.

Bro. Manning referred to the work of the Baptist Book and Tract Society, and to the enlarged premises about to be occupied. He made a strong plea to all Baptists to sustain it. He gave a warm tribute to the ability and earnestness of Bro. G. A. McDonald. He could not favor the publishing of a hymn and tune edition of the Hymnal. He thought more prominence should be given to the colportage work. The chief difficulty had been to find colporters. He asked the brethren who knew of men qualified for the work to acquaint the Book Room of their addresses. He could not favor brethren in the ministry giving up their work for that of colportage; but consecrated laymen would do grand work in it for the Master.

Bro. A. V. Shand explained how it was that the Society decided not to publish a hymn and tune book. They were engaged upon a tune book, in a cheap form and adapted to the hymn book.

The reports of the chairmen of the Associational districts were received.

Bro. Parry reported for the First District. So many of the churches were pastorless, and there were so few pastors to cooperate, that little had been done. Visits had been made to several destitute fields.

Bro. S. B. Kempton, from the Second District, reported five sessions held at different points. The need of systematic benevolence had been made prominent in all these sessions. An oversight had been had over the pastorless churches. Suggestions had also been made to churches in reference to a new field at Long Island, Walbrook and Avonport. The question of using agency to reach outlying fields had been discussed. There should be provision made for a resident pastor on the North Mountain. The Sunday-schools of the district were in a prosperous condition. The interest in the district meetings and work had been good.

Bro. McGregor reported for the Hants Co. District. Meetings had been held at New Ross, Walton, Summerville, Windsor Plains, Brooklyn, Hantsport, Falmouth, Waterville, Windsor, South Rawdon, and Scotch Village. Attention had been given to the best grouping of the churches, systematic benevolence, and the supplying of the destitute churches. The meetings had been well attended.

Bro. Miller, for the Halifax Co. District. Meetings had been held at Sackville, Hammond Plains, Dartmouth, 2nd St. Margaret's Bay, 1st Halifax, North church, Fall River. Attention had been given to the weak churches, to the distribution of Sunday-school literature and to other important matters. In all the meetings of the districts collections for the Convention Fund had been taken.

No report was received from the Lunenburg district.

In response to a question, it was stated that the district committees had paid attention to the important matter of suggesting plans for collecting money for Convention Fund.

Dr. Sawyer made a strong plea for the district committee work. He felt that it was a step in the right direction, and had in it the elements of great helpfulness to the work. He urged the need of some response from the associations to the churches, containing practical suggestions, etc., in harmony with a resolution already introduced by Bro. Manning. He was also in favor of a suggestion in the report on the committee on Denominational Literature to secure more accurate statistics, and suggested a standing statistical committee.

Prof. Kierstead read the report on Obituaries. Tender mention was made to the character and lives of Dr. Rand, Rev. Jeremiah Bancroft, Dea. Andrew Shaw, Mrs. Selden, and Dea. A. T. Baker.

A committee was appointed to secure a portrait of Dr. Rand for Acadia College.

The Platform Missionary Meeting drew forth the largest congregation thus far gathered. The report presented by Bro. M. P. Freeman gave an excellent outline of the work and needs of missions at home and abroad.

Bro. I. Wallace, our veteran and much-loved general missionary, was the first speaker. He desired to say something on the subject of education this morning. Education and missions were all one. He had the pleasure of being able to announce that a Christian lady had told him only a short time ago that she and her husband had it on their hearts to endow a professorship at Acadia at no distant date. It had been his privilege to baptize over 100 during this year, nearly half of whom had been in this Association. He hoped that our people would

aid not only local home missions, but also missions in the North-West and among the French. He appealed for sympathy and prayer for the hard-worked, poorly-paid home-missionaries. He referred to the man who laid aside his pocket-book before being baptized, and urged that none of our people act as if baptism did not include the money as a part of the consecration.

Bro. Cohoon said there had been a large increase in contributions for the North-west, but \$600 were still needed to fulfill our promise. It would be a disaster should we fail to give the full amount. He wished to speak of the excellence of the work done by Bro. Wallace. He had been on fields where Bro. Wallace had labored, and he was sure the work was of the most solid kind. We need more general missionaries, and more pastors. There were many reasons why the home mission fields should have the most many sided, earnest and able men. There was need of more money. It would take \$11,000 to carry on the work efficiently, and to level up salaries to the small sum of \$600. Neither is there any good reason why this sum should not be raised. He pleaded for a Church Edifice Fund, and for sympathy for the home mission work. He showed how it deserved the warmest sympathy. Although the work had been but half pushed, in the last ten years over 4,000 members had been added to our churches and 26 new churches had been added to the denomination. There was need of wisdom and power from on high—wisdom to suit fields to men and men to fields; power to aid the missionaries. While the young men sent out during the last ten years had all but one proved true, yet they as much needed the Divine power as did the missionaries in India.

Bro. M. B. Shaw gave a powerful address. He prefers not to have it reported.

Bro. W. C. Vincent declined to give an address, owing to the lateness of the hour, but suggested that one of the best works our Mission Boards could do would be to give a prize essay to show that the heathen are lost. The feeling that the heathen are safe if they are honest, is sapping the energies of the people in this work.

Saturday morning's session was rather thin. The ministers and delegates, as usual, had begun to scatter a day before the business of the Association was concluded.

The resolution on the circular letter, recommending that one be sent by the Association in response to the letters from the churches, embodying suggestions from the facts in the letters, and pressing upon the churches the practical conclusions of the sessions of the Association, was adopted. A resolution was adopted commending our blind pastor, Rev. R. R. Phelps, to the practical sympathy of the churches of the Association he may visit.

The chief business of this session was the report of Bro. Manning on Benevolence. It gave an outline of our denominational work and its need of financial support. It recommended, especially, that delegates and ministers do their best, before August next, to swell the convention fund.

Dr. Saunders made a very strong plea for the Ministerial Aid Fund, and for the Ministerial Annuity Fund.

Dr. T. A. Higgins insisted especially upon the duty of ministers and churches to enforce upon candidates the truth that, in giving themselves to the Lord, they must give their means also—that this first includes the last. He thought this would in the end lead to adequate support of our denominational work.

B. H. Eaton, Esq., thought that the great question was how to get at individuals and to bring the most effective personal pressure to bear upon each one who reviled his contribution.

Rev. J. W. Manning believed that one great reason why we did not succeed better in raising money for our denominational objects was because pastors were expected to do everything, and could find so few to co-operate with them.

Saturday afternoon session, after some routine business, was devoted entirely to Sabbath-school work.

Bro. John Nakler read the committee's report.

The first speaker, Rev. Geo. Weathers, said: Whatever impressions are made upon a child are lasting. The lessons impressed upon me when I was a boy are still in my heart. Therefore I press upon the children the important things, always including the distinctive principles of our denomination. Shrink not from fear of offence. If we speak through tears, we can speak truth without offending any. We are placed at a post and must stand there.

Bro. L. D. Morse said that he wanted to make a plea for better teaching. The "teacher" should be a teacher. Jesus thought the gospel worth dying for. The teacher should think it worth teaching, if it costs him sweat and blood. And the pupil is worth being taught. It is worth while to compel him to understand. In order to teach the lesson let the teacher understand it himself and let him live it. Let him practise what he preaches, and practice it before he preaches. This done, first of all let him select from the lesson something which is at this

moment some good to himself. God has not sent us to touch the children's hearts with something that is far away from our own. Then, in the second place, let the teacher pick out from this selection what he especially wants his pupils to understand, and what he can cause them to understand in the allotted half-hour. Better teach them a little of something than a lot of nothing. Then, in the next place, teach. Don't pay too much attention to winning their attention. The best way and the honest way to win attention is to *deserve it*. If you would cause your pupil to know more, commence with what he knows now. The less he knows the harder it will be to teach him, and you must put yourself down to work. If he knows nothing, you can teach him nothing. Be like your Lord who, when He would bless mankind, stooped and took upon himself the form of man. If you become a child, you are no less a man, as the Son of man was no less the Son of God. Retaining all your manhood, your dignity, your learning and your love, stoop to the level of your pupil, and with all the force of a spring drawn from the mountain, bring the gospel to bear upon his heart.

Rev. P. S. McGregor said that every member of the church should feel responsible for the work of the Sunday-school. He would give, as pastor, his first attention to the children. Let Sunday-school committees report in conference meeting. He would introduce into Sunday-schools the pledge against tobacco and rum.

Rev. Mr. Langille emphasized the importance of pure familiarity with the pupil, both in the class and in the street.

Bro. H. Lovitt reported the Sunday-school convention of Kings county, and believed that a lover of children was sure to be successful in the Sunday-school.

Rev. E. T. Miller emphasized Bro. Morse's plea for better teaching, and spoke of the improvement in Sunday-school work which was going on with the progress of the years—an encouraging outlook.

There was a platform temperance meeting on Saturday evening. The report was along the same line as that at the Western N. S. The speakers were Bro. P. S. McGregor, L. D. Morse and C. Goodspeed. After the usual votes of thanks, the Association adjourned, to meet with the church at Berwick the first Thursday after June 20, 1891. Bro. S. B. Kempton is to preach the sermon. The exercises during the Association were of a high average.

**WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA.**  
MONDAY.

The Associational Sermon was preached in the morning, by the Rev. G. R. White, of the Temple Church, Yarmouth. Text, 2 Cor. 8: 7; Theme, "The Stunted Grace." The why and the how of giving were forcefully presented.

The Circular Letter was read by the writer, Rev. E. P. Caldwell, of Pleasant Valley, Yarmouth. The subject of the letter was, "The Relation of Church Members to each other." It dealt faithfully with the cardinals of church life. Arrangements were made for the publication of this sermon and letter in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, and in pamphlet form as well.

In the afternoon, the committee to whom was referred the reports of the chairmen of the several districts on denominational finances, reported. This called up an earnest and lengthy discussion as to ways and means.

The report was passed, and is as follows:

The collection of funds for Christian work is one of the most important duties committed to our churches, and requires prayerful thought and patient toil. We regard it the duty of the chairmen of the counties to render valuable assistance to the churches in the attainment of this object. When it is asked, how this can best be done? it is difficult to formulate a plan that would serve the peculiar circumstances of every county or of every church. But your committee venture to suggest the following:

1. An object the chairmen should have in view, is instruction. There is much need of knowledge respecting the enterprises of the Baptist convention, the obligations of the churches to sustain them with efficiency, and the best methods of gathering the gifts of the Lord's people. It will be wise for the chairmen to consult the pastors of the county, and encourage them to furnish the needed instruction to the churches under their immediate supervision. It will also be found valuable for the pastors to combine their forces, and so aid each other in promoting in the churches a deeper interest and more systematic efforts to attain higher ground in systematic benevolence.

2. It is the opinion of the committee that this can be attained successfully on a wide scale by the chairmen arranging with the pastors to unite together in holding special meetings to bring these matters to the attention of all the churches in the county or to systematically exchange pulpits every three months, and making the work of our Convention with the pastors in the establishment of the churches in the county having no pastors, special arrangements would require to be made in order to render them the desirable assistance.

3. Another object that the chairmen should seek after, in the establishment of each church in the county of a well ordered system for the collection of the contributions of the membership, for the work of God. This, of course, must be done through the instrumentality of the pastors and other church officers.

Your committee would recommend that when circumstances allow, a collection, after instruction, be taken monthly; that in no case three months be allowed to pass without a church being asked to contribute to the work of the Lord. Your committee also recommend that the chairmen advise that these collections be taken by means of envelopes properly prepared, and placed in the hands of every church member or other person willing to aid, and that church members failing to contribute in this way be called upon by solicitors. In cases where collections by envelopes appear impracticable, collections may be made by means of solicitors collected quarterly.

Your committee feel assured that the churches of this Association will greet such efforts of the chairman and pastors with hearty approbation and increased benevolence.

The report of the committee on Sunday-schools was presented by Rev. A. F. Browne, of Tasset, Yarmouth Co.

"How to induce men and women to attend the Sunday school" was the subject of an address by Rev. W. H. Robinson, of Beaver River, Yarmouth Co.

"Why the Sunday-school should be a component part of the church's work" was spoken to by Rev. F. H. Beals, of Hebron. After a useful discussion the report was passed.

The report of the committee on Obituaries was presented by Rev. J. Howe, of Weymouth. In it special reference to the death of the late Rev. J. F. McKenzie, of Bagdad Islands, was made. Tender regards for his memory and loving life's work were expressed by many of his brethren who had been his associates in labor.

Monday evening was given to the subject of education.

The committee reported through their chairman, the Rev. A. Cohoon, Prof. I. B. Oakes presented the work and claims of Horton Academy.

The Rev. H. J. Foshey gave an address on "The Relation of Acadia College to denominational prosperity."

"The advantages of a course of instruction at Acadia Seminary" were described by Mrs. F. H. Beals.

The Rev. A. Cohoon followed with pleas for "a hearty and generous support of our institutions at Wolfville."

These addresses were of a high order, and the enthusiasm of our people in favor of our beloved educational institutions was greatly increased.

The association closed with prayer by the pastor of the Westport church. This was from the first session to the last one of the most pleasant ever held. The spirit and work were excellent; the weather clear and beautiful; the hospitality abundant, convenient and cordial. The boys were on their best behaviour; so that the passages to and from this pleasant island were enjoyable. Earnest prayers were continually offered for revival influences to attend the labors of the pastor and people, by whom we were so kindly entertained. The last has been a year of earnest seed sowing; may we not hope that the coming year will be one of glorious harvesting.

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The MESSENGER AND VISITOR of to-day (July 2) contained a clipping from the N. Y. Examiner, which attracted my attention. It is entitled, "Something Quite New." Here is an extract:

"Rev. Henry B. Hudson, pastor of the Trinity Baptist church, of New York, who came to us so recently from the Congregationalists, is the author of this sharp illustration of the peril of substituting one word for another, in describing an ordinance of Christ's, which He not only obeyed, but made it the duty of His disciples to the end of the world to obey. We do not remember to have seen a like thing done before, and it is quite too apt not to have a place here...."

"Matt. 3: 6.—There went out unto Him Jerusalem, and all Judea, and all region round about Jordan, and they were baptized of Him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins."

Then follow a number of Scripture passages, similar to the above, with the word "baptize" changed to "sprinkle" to show the absurdity of the change.

Now, that the Examiner never saw "a like thing done before" we do not question. But that Mr. Hudson is the author of this sharp illustration, is certainly not correct.

Twenty years ago Rev. D. M. Welton, of Windsor, N. S., (now Dr. Welton, of McMaster University, Toronto), in his sermon on "Christian Baptism," p. 12, used the same illustration, but carried it further, making it more complete.

A suspicion intrudes itself that the Examiner cannot have our estimate Baptist paper of the Maritime Provinces on its exchange list, or Mr. Hudson's way of putting the case would not be regarded as "something quite new."

L. M. WEEKS.

**WESTERN N. E. ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday morning, the committee on Denominational Literature reported, through their chairman, Rev. A. B. McDonald. It recommended the circulation of a sound Biblical Baptist literature, not only evangelical in its spirit, but denominational in its character. The question of price has no place when the truth is at stake. Our Book Room at Halifax is commended, as well as the establishment of M. S. Hall at Fredericton. The MESSENGER AND VISITOR is reported as fully meeting the requirements of our denomination in its line of work. The demands in our homes and Sunday-schools should be equal to our abundant supply. The discussion which followed brought out the fact that many of our people are intelligently appreciating the power of the press for good or evil, and the demand for a denominational literature in the extension and defence of the truth.

The committee on Home Missions presented their report through Rev. C. Henderson, who gave an interesting account of work being done in destitute sections of Victoria and Madawaska Counties. An interesting discussion followed, which showed that the work of the Home Mission Board is being closely watched, and the help afforded the weak churches is being highly appreciated. In the report reference was made to the good work done by the young students under the appointment of the Board, yet the necessity of permanent pastors was urged upon the consideration of the churches. The plan of grouping churches was commended. The report closed with an appeal for increased support.

In the afternoon a report of the committee on Temperance was received and passed as it was presented by Rev. S. D. Irvine, the chairman. This report urged the enforcement of laws prohibitory of the evil traffic in intoxicants; the teaching of temperance principles in our churches and Sunday-schools, and that no legislation short of entire prohibition of the traffic will be satisfactory to this body.

The report on Sunday-schools was presented by Bro. J. W. Spurdens. Reference was made in the report to the desirability of having all our Sabbath-schools interested in mission work. The limited time at the command of the

Association forbade a lengthy discussion of this important report.

A digest of the letters from the churches was read by the Clerk of the Association, who had prepared it. From this we learned that the past has not been a year of great ingathering in the churches of this Association. It has been a sowing rather than a reaping time. Ninety-one baptisms are reported.

The Circular Letter was read by the writer, Rev. T. Todd, the subject of which is Sanctification. This was accepted as the letter of this Association to the churches of which it is composed. A place in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR is asked for it.

At 3 p. m. the Association adjourned to give place to a meeting of the Women's Missionary Union, and a number of the brethren availed themselves of the opportunity of meeting with the sisters. On account of the rain the attendance was not large.

Mrs. March, the corresponding secretary of the Union, presided, and gave a brief digest of the work undertaken and accomplished during the year, amounting in all in financial operations, up to this date, to about \$3,000, with the prospect of raising \$1,000 more before the meeting of the convention in August.

Reports were called for from the A. Societies represented in the meeting.

Interesting addresses were given by Mrs. Martell and others.

Mrs. Archibald gave a graphic account of idolatry in its religious and social aspects.

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We commend the earnestness of the serious and earnest. As is well known, it is well known that Appeals have been made, and up to the present, adequate has been made for the rank and file to the help of the Seminary. Its help at once, in other hands, to the more perpetual disgrace resented in it. In order may be a success, some of the churches must be instead of one; for some in each church; and at the same time, pastor take hold of the co-operation of one or more men, the result attained, in almost all there be any to draw, known that the fate of at stake?

Dear Brethren,—We fore you the following relation to the work of servants, are doing in Christian education.

We have a fine pre in the beautiful and by St. Martins, upon which lings costing about \$50,000.

Both sexes are provided, and 101 student year. The work most successfully carried men and young ladies the advantages of a Christian school was opened last year, and has yielded a surplus for the great hindrance usefulness of the school on the property. Working with students, and current expenses from pressed, however, even losing the property, for contracted in securing tional centre. Your are compelled to make hope that you will property for the Baptist and daughters, who, though gain an education more value, a reverence and the Saviour whom moral and Christian to last year was excellent improved, quite a number converted and avowed the.

We have over 30,000 Baptist church members Seminary as their school each school to the amount of at least \$1.00 in the coming year. This gives the school of all wish the brother or sister this appeal may help and deacons and, with co-operation, seek to get subscriptions or enter aggregate from your each member.

Dear brother, will in this final effort to people, the best education the Maritime Provinces must be done this have waited long. Tuted throughout our heavy as you see, only on actual membership our churches are ready see us really give carry these burdens.

Will you not let go from you soon, saying to carry out the above, the principal, or our Board, will visit in this work if you so Remember, if you do by you it will finally rition of all incumbered. Hoping your responsible, we remain, your Christian education.

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